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Systems reports LB 1192 and LB 1200 to General File with committee amendments attached. Also, Mr. President, they would report LB 676 as indefinitely postponed, those reports signed by Senator Stuhr, as Chair. I also have a confirmation report from the General Affairs Committee. Oh, I'm sorry, no, I don't. Strike that, Mr. President, I don't have. (Legislative Journal pages 560-562.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, the first item this morning, General Affairs confirmation report regarding the appointment of Meredith Zutavern to the Nebraska Arts Council.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Quandahl, in the absence of Senator Janssen, I understand you're going to introduce the General Affairs confirmation report this morning.

SENATOR QUANDAH: That is correct. Last Monday, Meredith Zutavern did appear before the committee, did respond to our questions. She is a rancher and she basically displayed the qualifications that we felt necessary to recommend her appointment to the Nebraska Arts Council. If anybody has any questions, I'd be more than happy to answer them.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Quandahl. For discussion on the confirmation report of the General Affairs Committee, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I feel like doing a rendition of "At Last" by Dinah Washington, but I won't sing it. I am going to vote in favor of this woman's nomination and, were there more women being nominated, I wouldn't have to be what Spiro Agnew because one of those writers, it may have been William Safire wrote for him when he was campaigning for the vice presidency of the United States, with his corrupt tainted self, he referred to the media as "nattering nabobs of negativism". He could hardly get it out, but once he got it out, he became one himself because that's all you would hear all the time. But I'm going to vote in favor of this nomination. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator